

HIDES BLOODY CLOTHES THAT BELONGED TO HALL

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"Yes, sir," she said, "I know day's mine."

The prosecution sought to elicit from the servant girl whether she had not heard Victor Hall and his wife quarrel, but she was firm in her negative to that.

In narrating her story as to how she was awakened on the morning of the murder, she said that Mrs. Hall came into her room and aroused her, telling her that Mr. Hall had been shot.

"Where at?" asked Becky, curious even in extremity, and Mrs. Hall, she testified, said, "In the back of the head." Mrs. Hall has said, according to signed statements, that she called Becky as soon as she found her husband had been shot, and it will be for her to explain how she knew he had been shot in the back of the head before she placed the bolster beneath him and gave him her attention.

OTHER TESTIMONY

DAMAGES DEFENSE

Other testimony damaging to the defense was that given by Chisholm, Mrs. Hall's driver, when he told on the stand of moving several trunks, provisions and household articles from the Hall store before the fire was discovered. He hauled four loads in all, he said, and took them to the home of N. W. Hall, Dr. H. S. Hodges, a specialist of Charlottesville, was called by the defense, so that he could return home this afternoon. He testified to having treated Mrs. Hall for ear trouble, and said that the hearing of the left ear was practically destroyed. This will be used by the prosecution to contradict alleged statements made by Mrs. Hall that she heard some one rapping on the store door just before Victor was killed.

Court was adjourned this afternoon at 3:45 o'clock, so that Judge Shackelford could go to his home in Orange County for Sunday. Attorney Hill Carter, assisting in the defense, and Attorney M. J. Fulton, assisting in the prosecution, returned to their homes in Richmond this afternoon. They will come back to Louisa to-morrow. Judge Shackelford again admonished the jurymen that they must be careful of newspapers, and that they must not discuss the trial with outsiders. They will be called to-morrow, and if they wish, will be taken to one of the churches to hear the word of God. They have been patient through an exacting trial, and not one has yet complained or asked during any day for a short recess.

Immediately after court adjourned for the day Mrs. Hall approached the newspaper men and showed them the newspaper of Victor Hall. "That's the best one I had. Isn't it good of him?" she asked. When requested to allow the picture to be published, she replied: "No, you shan't have it until I see it in the papers."

"But," they reminded her, "you must remember that we have not heard anything but the side of the prosecution, and things will look better for you when your own witnesses take the stand."

Mrs. N. W. Hall and Mrs. Victor Hall's two sisters were present, and a conversation between them and the newspaper men on general topics was ensuing when Attorney Lindsay Gordon smilingly stood up. "Look here," he said, "these men are my fellows, but you had better not let them. They are worse than detectives." And what was about to be a pleasant and friendly party was rudely interrupted, and all went their several ways.

COLORED SERVANT GIRL

FIRST WITNESS OF DAY

Rebecca Coates, Mrs. Hall's colored servant girl, was the first witness called when court opened this morning. She was sent to notify N. W. Hall of the shooting. She was sleeping in the pantry that night. Aroused by Mrs. Hall's calling, she went into Mrs. Hall's bedroom, remaining there a few minutes to dress. She did not go into the store.

When she returned Victor was lying in his bed, which was the first time she saw him after the shooting.

"How long have you been living with Mrs. Hall?"

"I don't know. I can't make a guess."

"Did you ever make up her bed?"

"Yes, sir."

"How would you make it up?"

"Just like other people."

"Did the pillows and bolster have cases on them?"

"Yes, sir."

"Did you ever see them on the bed without the cases?"

"No, sir."

"What was the color of Mrs. Hall's

"THE DAY OF REST."

By John T. McCutcheon.

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Sunday at 6 a. m.—"Wake up, daddy! It's time to start on our picnic. The lunch is all packed 'n we're ready."

nightgowns?"

"White."

The little girl was plainly embarrassed before Mrs. Hall.

On the day of the fire she said that Mrs. Hall and the others packed up a lot of bed clothing and other things and went down to Mrs. N. W. Hall's.

She said that she locked the dining-room door and the front door. She did not know whether the pantry-door was locked or not. Her clothes were in the pantry under the table. Two towels were hung in the line in the kitchen, and all were burned.

"Was there a kerosene can there?"

"Yassin, on the hearth in the kitchen."

"Did you carry packages away with you when you left the store?"

"Yassin, all of us carried packages, and I had a wheelbarrow with a ham-bone in it."

Witness did not know how long after they left the store that the fire was discovered in the pantry.

The burned clothes were brought into court, and Rebecca identified them as her own.

"Dat's mine and dat's mine," she said, "and dat's my skirt."

She had enough for a bridal tour, but all were too badly burned to be of use again.

Rebecca could remember none of the details that she did on that fatal night, and had no conception of time. She said she never heard Victor and his wife quarrel.

When she got into Mrs. Hall's room after being awakened, all the other members of the household were present. It was the first time she had gotten up during the night, she told Mr. Gordon, so she could not have made the noise in the store heard by Miss Wood and Miss Rosson when Victor and his wife were at the Dunkum fire.

"Do you know whether Mrs. Hall had a sham which she sometimes put over the bolster?" asked Mr. Gordon.

"Yes," she replied.

"Where was Mrs. Hall when you came out on the porch?" asked Mr. Gordon.

"I don't know," she replied.

"Who was the last one to leave the house after the fire?" a jurymen asked.

"I don't know," she said with parrotlike persistence.

WHOLE STORE FASTENED

WHEN FIRE BROKE OUT

She told Mr. Gordon that she locked the back door. The pantry door was the only one unlocked. So far as could be learned from the witness the whole store was securely fastened on the afternoon when the fire broke out inside the pantry and burned all poor Becky's clothes.

She told Mr. Gordon that one of the burned towels was hanging out on the back porch when she last saw it before the fire. She was on the stand an hour and fifteen minutes.

William Sacre was called. He was at Green Spring on the day of the last pantry fire. John Graves, he said, discovered the fire. He had a good view of the pantry, and saw no one near it or in the back yard of the house, and there was nothing to obstruct his view.

"I saw smoke coming out of the pantry," he said, "but no one was near it on the outside."

On cross-examination he said that he could not see the opposite side of the house, and that he was not familiar with the premises.

Johnnie Graves, who was just ten years old to-day, came to the stand. He, too, saw the pantry afire, but noticed no one near it. He was not cross-examined.

King Bibb was called. He said he saw two loads of trunks hauled away from the Hall store and home on the afternoon of the fire, and saw the members of the household leave later. Mrs. Victor Hall bringing up the rear.

"How long after they left, did you see the fire?"

"Not over fifteen minutes," he said.

"When you got to the store, what did you find?"

"Everything fastened up."

"Did you have any difficulty getting in?"

"Yes, we had to break in a door."

Charles Chisholm, colored, came next on the witness stand. He worked for Mrs. Hall, and on the day of the fire moved two loads of trunks for her and a load of mill feed and chops. He made two loads in the morning and two loads in the afternoon, the loads consisting of clothes, merchandise and household articles. All helped him in moving the articles out of the house. He was at Green Spring also on the morning of the murder.

"Did you bury any clothes that day?"

"Yes, I buried some about 3 o'clock."

"What did you bury?"

"Some old rags and two pieces of Mr. Hall's underwear."

"Who told you to bury them?"

"Mr. Roberts."

On cross-examination Mr. Gordon wanted to know how many bags of mill feed Chisholm hauled from the store and whether they were men's or women's trunks. Witness said he hauled a load of mill feed, and about the trunks he did not know.

Witness said he took away several bags of hams, and Mr. Gordon insisted on knowing exactly how many hams were in a bag.

"How do you know that there wasn't a shoulder in one of the bags?" inquired Mr. Gordon.

"Well," replied the witness, "hasn't a shoulder as much right in a bag as a ham?"

The spectators laughed, and Judge Shackelford urged Mr. Gordon to proceed faster, and told him that the witness had several times been made to answer the same question.

SAW THINGS MOVED

AWAY FROM STORE

Robert Wooddy was the next witness. He saw Chisholm, he said, moving things away from the store, and saw Mrs. Hall and the others leaving the house. Mrs. Hall was the last to leave, he said.

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"About fifteen minutes."

"What did you find when you went to the pantry?"

"I found fire in the pantry, a pile of clothes was burning in the corner, and I smelled kerosene." He said that the doors and windows he tried were fastened. He repeated that he smelled the odor of kerosene very distinctly.

He was practically unshaken on cross-examination.

Lansley Riley, colored, was then called. He was at the store when the second attempt to burn down the Hall store was made. He stated that the store had to be broken open so that the fire could be extinguished. He saw rags burning in the pantry and smelled oil. He created a little diversion by telling how Mr. Gordon and Mr. Roberts had called on him, and how he told them he knew nothing about the murder, that Mrs. Hall had always been nice to him, and had given him credit at the store.

"All I know," he said, "is that I helped put out the fire."

When he left the stand court adjourned an hour for dinner.

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"The house," he said, "was shut tight."

"What was the condition of the window you tried to open?"

"It had a wire screen over it, and was fastened tight." He smelled kerosene oil in the pantry when he got in.

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"How did you fix the lapse of time between when you saw the fire and the store and when you saw the fire?" asked Mr. Gordon.

"I said that I judged it was about ten minutes."

"How far behind was Mrs. Victor Hall from the others?"

"About fifty or sixty feet."

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Otto Sherwood followed on the stand. He went to the fire and tried a door, which he found fastened from the inside. He did not see any of the Hall family leave the house. On cross-examination, he said that he did not try any of the doors when he went to the fire, and that he tried only one door. It was locked and he broke it in with his shoulder.

Burnley Harris, colored, was then called. He, too, saw the Hall household leaving the store just before the fire. He went into the pantry, he said, and saw a pile of rags burning and smelled kerosene oil.

On cross-examination the witness said that the members of the Hall family were huddled up together when they left the store. He said that Mrs. Hall looked back, but he couldn't tell what object she was looking at.

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